

In the Specification

Page 8, line 15, delete "task or".

Page 12, line 8, change "first task objects 14" to --object 1--.

In the Claims

1. (Amended) A method for sequencing a plurality of tasks performed or controlled by a computer, comprising:

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- a) placing task objects in a directional field having a changeable directional attribute, wherein said task objects represent the tasks to be performed by said computer; and
 - b) sequencing, by said computer, of one or more of the task objects in the directional field based on the relative spatial location of the task objects in the directional field and the directional attribute of the directional field.

Please add the following new claims:

29. A method for sequencing a plurality of tasks performed or controlled by a computer, comprising:

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- a) placing task objects in a directional field having at least two dimensions and a directional attribute, wherein said task objects represent the tasks to be performed by said computer; and
 - b) sequencing, by said computer, of one or more of the task objects in the directional field based on the relative spatial location of the task objects in the directional field and the directional attribute of the directional field.

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~~30.~~ The sequencing method of claim ²⁶~~29~~ further including the step of re-sequencing said task objects by changing the relative spatial location of the task objects in the directional field.

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31. The sequencing method of claim 29 further including the step of selecting a directional attribute for the directional field.

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~~32.~~ The sequencing method of claim ²⁶~~29~~ wherein said task objects have one or more modifiable properties for controlling the behavior of the task objects.

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~~33.~~ The sequencing method of claim ²⁹~~32~~ wherein one of said modifiable properties is used to include or exclude a task object in the directional field from said sequence.

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~~34.~~ The sequencing method of claim ²⁹~~32~~ wherein at least one of the modifiable properties specifies the tasks to be performed by the task object.

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~~35.~~ The sequencing method of claim ²⁶~~29~~ further including the step of placing a master object in the directional field for initiating said sequence of tasks.

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~~36.~~ The sequencing method of claim ³²~~35~~ wherein said task objects are responsive to said master object to perform their associated tasks.

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~~37.~~ The sequencing method of claim ³³~~36~~ further including the step of defining a limited region of influence for said master object, wherein said master object is used to initiate a sequence including task objects falling within the region of influence of the master object.